have made adequate arrangements of water and food for the passengers of trains carrying earthqwuake victims and their relatives. Catering stalls, trolleys and refreshment rooms were kept open round the clock on platforms. Apart from this, food packets where also distributed by different Non-Government Organisations and local bodies free of cost at various stations enroute.

Closing Down of Railway Swimming Pool Kolkata

358. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item, "Adalater Nirdeshe Bandha Holo Reler Swimming pool-er-Kaj" appearing in Sambad Protidin, Kolkata dated 30th january, 2001;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;

(c) the estimated cost of the swimming pool;

(d) whether the land was encumbered or litigated;

(e) if so, whether the same was overlooked before laying foundation stone, as reported, and the reasons therefor; and

(f) if not, the present status thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.